Rainy Days

Overview

Rainy days can be just as much fun as basking in the sun. Your children can have a lot of fun as they splash and catch raindrops, explore what gets wet, and what stays dry in the rain.



Activities

- Jumping in puddles – who can make the biggest splash?
- Place a small amount of
- Bubble-bath in a puddle, use a sweeping brush to sweep the bubbles.
- Place a small amount of chalk paint in puddles, use a sweeping brush to make marks and explore mixing colours.
- Make a rain orchestra, place foil on a tuff tray, with different pots and pans. Listen to the different noises the rain makes.

Equipment

- Rain orchestra – foil, saucepans, saucepan lids, plastic bowls
- Children's sweeping brushes
- Chalk paint
- Bubble bath.

Key Interactions

Model using language to describe how rain falls and the sound it makes; pouring, pattering, dripping, splash, splosh. Model and encourage the children to use their senses to explore the rain.

The Benefits

- Active Play – understanding weather, understanding the effects of rain.
- Physical and Sensory Exploration – dressing for the rain.
- Communication Skills Development – learning language to describe the rain.

Progression in Learning

Explore filling different sized containers to see how much rain falls.

Use rainwater to water plants during sunny days to link to looking after plants.